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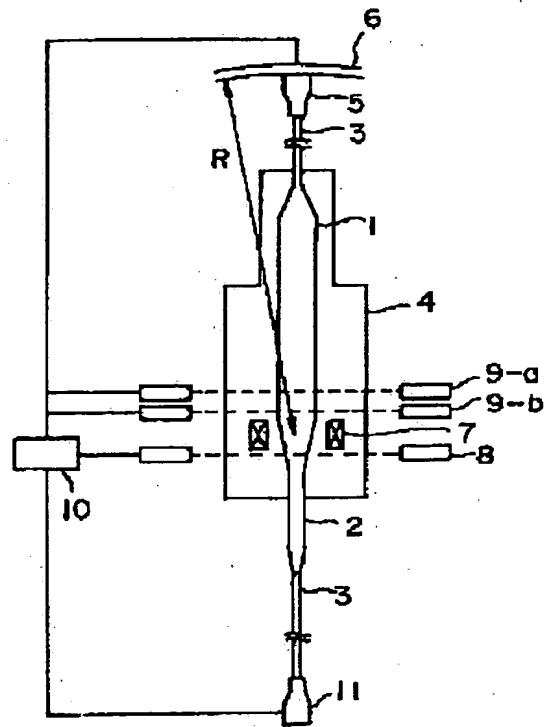
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ABSTRACT : **PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To provide a process for producing a parent material of optical fibers in which an ingot of the preform material bent when it is clear is used to produce a preform material rod of a smaller diameter as a less bent product by heating and drawing.

SOLUTION: In the process for producing a parent material of a smaller diameter for optical fiber by heat-drawing an ingot, the ingot 1 is set to a drawing machine 4 and the deviation of the center of the ingot from the axis center of the drawing machine 4 is measured with a position measuring device 9. On the basis of the measurement, the angle of holding the preform ingot 1 is changed so that the center coincides with that of the shaft center of the drawing machine 4.

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